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In re: Application of Robert Vincent

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Examiner: Marina I. Miller

Title: METHOD FOR DETECTING
COLIFORM BACTERIA FROM
REFLECTED LIGHT

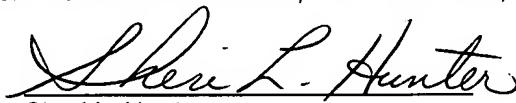
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT
AND ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT UNDER 35 USC § 121

Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Official Action mailed May 16, 2006, Applicant hereby elects to prosecute claims 1 – 21 and 48 - 63, without traverse. Applicant elects to prosecute the claims that are drawn to a method of determining the presence of bacteria in water.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner enter the following Amendment and consider the following Remarks. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider and again examine the present application and claims in light thereof.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 27 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 28 of this paper.